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Dear Dr. McClelland:

Some little time ago you wrote me most kindly saying that you and Mrs. McClelland were driving to New York the latter part of this month and would be happy to have me return with you to the University and spend a few weeks there. How much I should like to do it. The delay in replying to your letter has been largely because I have had in the back of my head the possibility of arranging it, but I see that it is a vain hope now. I am tied here by work which cannot be dropped.

I can imagine how beautiful November must be in your mountains. I hope to see it all some day, to see the University, meet some of your young people and look at your Lincoln collection. But it cannot be now.

Deeply regretting this and assuring you that I appreciate the kindness of your invitation, believe me

Very sincerely yours

Dr. Stewart W. McClelland
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